Memo

Date: June 24, 2015
To: Corridor Management Committee
From: Craig Lamothe, Project Director

Re: Answers to questions from the June 3, 2015 CMC

Q: Are there ways we can make the Shady Oak Park and Ride less expensive and keep in the project scope?

There are no cost savings with a partial acquisition of the property.

Q: Are there other environmental funds available that could be used to clean up contaminated soils?

Hennepin County staff has assembled a list of other potential funding sources through the TSAAP process and are reviewing with SPO staff. However, applications and awards would not be available in time to incorporate into the project scope and cost reduction decisions in July.

Q: Can the HCRRA property at Beltline be used for Park and Ride, bus pullout and passenger drop off? If so, could savings from having to acquire private property be used for grade separation of the trail at Beltline?

The cost reduction option at Beltline already assumes use of the HCRRA land at no cost.

Overview of Ridership

Q: What is project ridership?
As defined by the FTA, it's a measure of transit trips created by a proposed project.
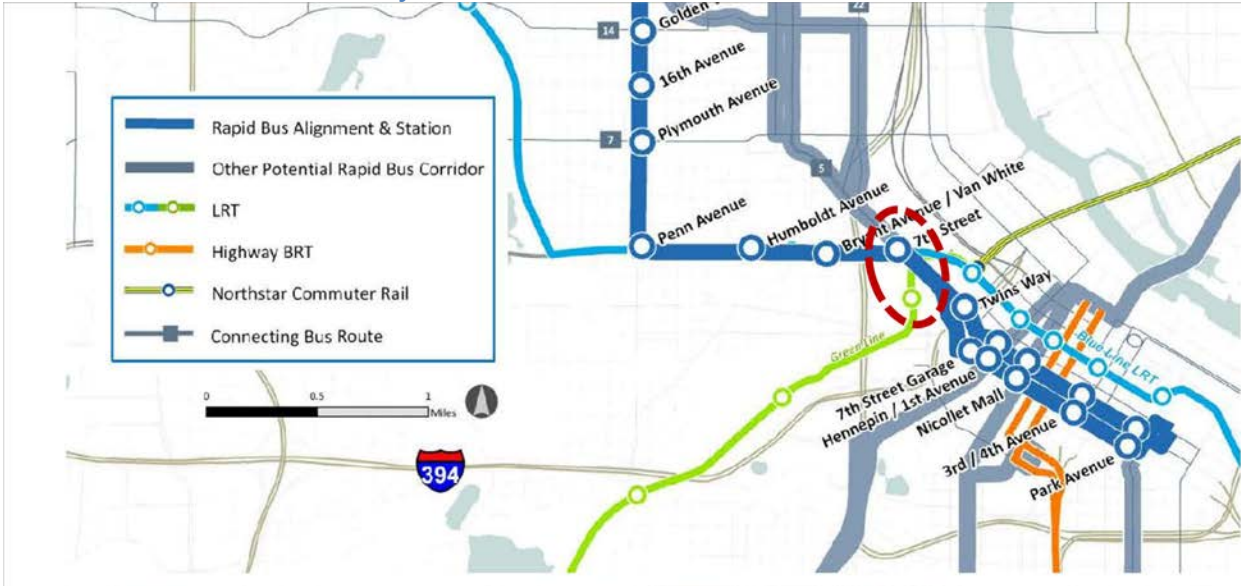
Q: What is station usage?
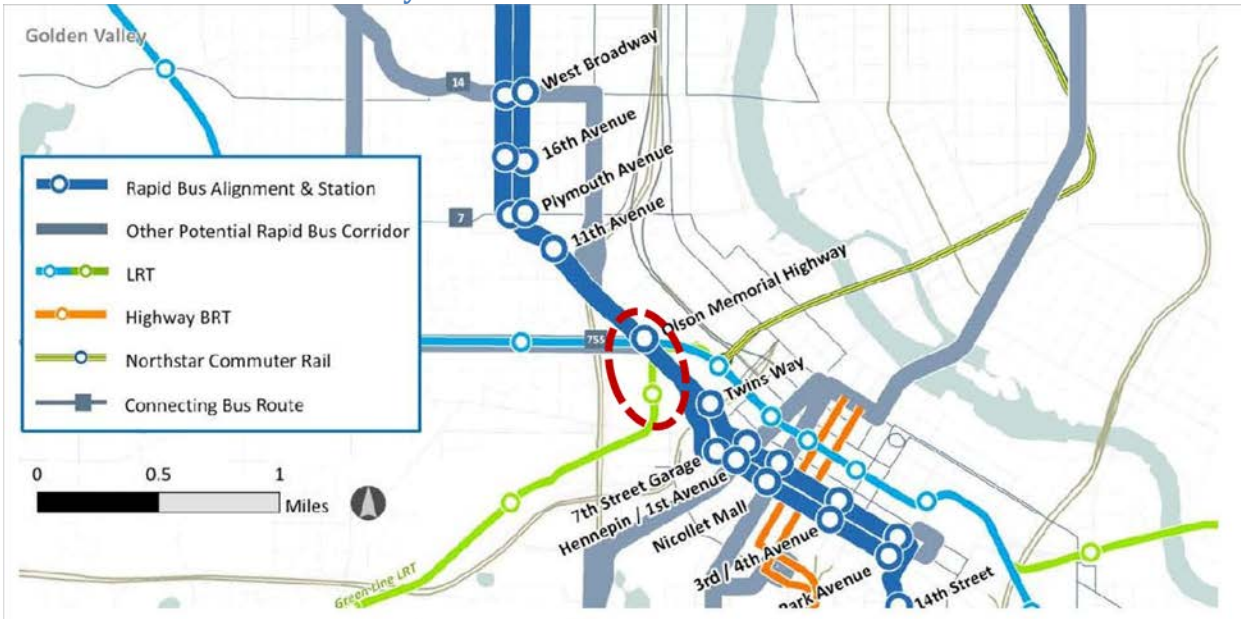A measure of all boarding and alighting activity observed on a station platform during a revenue service day.

Example of Ridership vs. Usage Differences

	Mitchell Station	Royalston Station
Project Ridership		
Inbound (Eastbound) Boardings	1,698	122
Outbound (Westbound) Alightings	499	76
Total Station Ridership	2,197	198
Station Usage		
Inbound (Eastbound) Boardings	1,698	122
Outbound (Westbound) Alightings	499	76
Outbound (Westbound) Boardings	---	385
Inbound (Eastbound) Alightings	---	467
Total Station Usage	2,197	1,050

C Line ABRT Connection to Royalston

D Line ABRT Connection to Royalston

Correction to Royalston Ridership and Usage

	Before Walk Connection	After Walk Connection
Project Ridership		
Inbound (Eastbound) Boardings	122	445
Outbound (Westbound) Alightings	76	259
Total Station Ridership	**198**	**704**
Station Usage		
Inbound (Eastbound) Boardings	122	445
Outbound (Westbound) Alightings	76	259
Outbound (Westbound) Boardings	385	977
Inbound (Eastbound) Alightings	467	1,611
Total Station Usage	**1,050**	**3,292**